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11 February 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

The attached is the paper requested by and prepared for you for presentation to the NIA February 12.

To accomplish your purpose you should get definite statements of concurrence by the NIA on the points underlined in red.

If the NIA will not concur in granting you authority similar to that granted to the Joint Research and Development Board (see b.(6)), you might request authority for the issuance by their offices of your directives which would be prepared in the interests of effectiveness and efficiency and in accordance with the spirit and letter of their statements of "overall policies and objectives." The issuance within the departments of these directives from the Secretary office level would go far to remove the cry of "out of command channels."

DONALD EDGAR

CC: Deputy Director
Secretary, NIA

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